

Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1. (Currently Amended) A vehicular rearview mirror assembly, comprising:

a base assembly adapted for mounting the rearview mirror assembly to a vehicle, said base assembly including an extension arm extending therefrom;

a reflective element disposed in a reflective element assembly, said reflective element assembly attaching to the extension arm and moveable along the extension arm for providing an operator of the vehicle with a rearward view when the vehicle is towing a trailer; and

wherein the reflective element assembly is slidably movable along the extension arm via a plurality of low friction bearings interposed between the extension arm and the reflective element assembly for facilitating substantially unimpeded movement of the reflective element assembly relative to the extension arm;

said plurality of low friction bearings comprising at least one of a ball bearing and a roller bearing.

2. (Previously Presented) A rearview mirror assembly according to claim 1, wherein the plurality of low friction bearings comprises a ball bearing.

3. (Previously Presented) A rearview mirror assembly according to claim 1, wherein the plurality of low friction bearings comprises a roller bearing.

4. (Currently Amended) A rearview mirror assembly according to claim 1, wherein the reflective element assembly further comprises a mounting frame and the plurality of low friction bearings is interposed between the extension arm and the mounting frame for facilitating the substantially unimpeded movement of the mounting frame relative to the base assembly.

5. (Previously Presented) A rearview mirror assembly according to claim 4, wherein the plurality of low friction bearings comprises a ball bearing.

6. (Previously Presented) A rearview mirror assembly according to claim 4, wherein the plurality of low friction bearings comprises a roller bearing.

7. (Previously Presented) A rearview mirror assembly according to claim 1, wherein the extension arm is connected to the base assembly by a moveable connection.

8. (Previously Presented) A rearview mirror assembly according to claim 7, wherein the plurality of low friction bearings comprises a ball bearing.

9. (Previously Presented) A rearview mirror assembly according to claim 7, wherein the plurality of low friction bearings comprises a roller bearing.

10. (Cancelled)

11. (Currently Amended) A rearview mirror assembly according to claim ~~40~~27, wherein the plurality of low friction bearings is interposed between the extension arm and the parallel flanges.

12. (Previously Presented) A rearview mirror assembly according to claim 11, wherein the plurality of low friction bearings comprises a ball bearing.

13. (Previously Presented) A rearview mirror assembly according to claim 11, wherein the plurality of low friction bearings comprises a roller bearing.

14. (Currently Amended) A vehicular rearview mirror assembly, comprising:

a reflective element assembly comprising a mounting frame;

an extension arm mounted to a vehicle and said reflective element assembly moveably attached to the extension arm; and

a plurality of low friction bearings interposed between the mounting frame and the extension arm for facilitating substantially unimpeded translation of the reflective element assembly along the extension arm.

15. (Previously Presented) A rearview mirror assembly according to claim 14, wherein the plurality of low friction bearings comprises a ball bearing.

16. (Previously Presented) A rearview mirror assembly according to claim 14, wherein the plurality of low friction bearings comprises a roller bearing.

17. (Currently Amended) A vehicular rearview mirror assembly, comprising:

a base assembly comprising a base frame for mounting the rearview mirror assembly to a vehicle;

at least one support arm for supporting a reflective element assembly, said at least one support arm moveably connected to the base frame for selectively folding the reflective element assembly against the vehicle, said reflective element assembly moveably attached to the support arm for extending the reflective element assembly away from the vehicle; and

a plurality of low friction bearings interposed between the reflective element assembly and the at least one support arm for facilitating substantially unimpeded movement of the reflective element assembly relative to the vehicle.

18. (Previously Presented) A rearview mirror assembly according to claim 17, wherein the plurality of low friction bearings comprises a ball bearing.

19. (Previously Presented) A rearview mirror assembly according to claim 17, wherein the plurality of low friction bearings comprises a roller bearing.

20. (Cancelled)

21. (Currently Amended) A rearview mirror assembly according to claim ~~20~~²⁸, wherein the plurality of low friction bearings is interposed between the at least one arm and the parallel flanges.

22. (Previously Presented) A rearview mirror assembly according to claim 21, wherein the plurality of low friction bearings comprises a ball bearing.

23. (Previously Presented) A rearview mirror assembly according to claim 21, wherein the plurality of low friction bearings comprises a roller bearing.

24. (Currently Amended) A vehicular rearview mirror assembly, comprising:

a base assembly comprising a base frame for mounting the rearview mirror assembly to a vehicle;

at least one support arm for supporting a reflective element assembly and pivotably connected to the base frame for selectively folding the reflective element assembly against the vehicle, such reflective element assembly moveably attached to the support arm for substantially unimpeded extending-extension of the reflective element assembly away from the vehicle; and

a pair of parallel spaced-apart flanges.

25. (Original) A rearview mirror assembly according to claim 24, wherein the pivot connection comprises a ball bearing.

26. (Original) A rearview mirror assembly according to claim 24, wherein the pivot connection comprises a roller bearing.

27. (New) A vehicular rearview mirror assembly, comprising:

a base assembly adapted for mounting the rearview mirror assembly to a vehicle and comprising parallel spaced-apart flanges, said base assembly moveably connected to an extension arm through a pivot connection;

a reflective element disposed in a reflective element assembly, said reflective element assembly attaching to the extension arm and moveable along the extension arm for providing an operator of the vehicle with a rearward view when the vehicle is towing a trailer; and

wherein the reflective element assembly is slidably movable along the extension arm via a plurality of low friction bearings interposed between the extension arm and the reflective element assembly for facilitating movement of the reflective element assembly relative to the extension arm;

said plurality of low friction bearings comprising at least one of a ball bearing and a roller bearing.

28. (New) A vehicular rearview mirror assembly, comprising:

a base assembly comprising a base frame for mounting the rearview mirror assembly to a vehicle and comprising parallel spaced-apart flanges;

at least one support arm for supporting a reflective element assembly, said at least one support arm moveably connected to the base frame through a pivot connection for selectively folding the reflective element assembly against the vehicle, said reflective element assembly moveably attached to the support arm for extending the reflective element assembly away from the vehicle; and

a plurality of low friction bearings interposed between the reflective element assembly and the at least one support arm for facilitating movement of the reflective element assembly relative to the vehicle;

wherein the at least one support arm is interposed between the parallel flanges to form the pivot connection.